



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Sherman, et al.

Serial No.: 09/753,496

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For: Method of Removing
Contaminants From
Petroleum Distillates

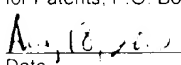
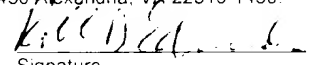
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 21, 2003

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on August 21, 2003, please enter this Response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this Response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AVIS/1016C/RDE, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this Response timely and acceptable to the Office.